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## Remarks/Arguments:

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1-21 remain in the application. Claim 1 has been amended.

In item 2 on page 2 of the above-identified Office action, claims 1-18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed subject matter is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

More specifically, the Examiner has stated that claims 1-18 consist solely of capturing information and manipulating abstract ideas without practical application. Claim 1 has been amended so as to further clarify the claim. Therefore, the rejection is believed to have been overcome.

Support for the amendment to claim 1 can be found in Fig. 1, reference numeral 110, where it is disclosed that the simulation result is output. Support can also be found in the last step of claim 19. Accordingly, no new subject matter has been added to the claims.

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It is appreciatively noted from item 3 on page 2 of the Office action that claims 19-21 have been allowed.

Since it is believed that only allowable claims remain, the early issuance of a Notice of Allowance is solicited herewith.

If an extension of time for this paper is required, petition for extension is herewith made.

Please charge any other fees which might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner & Greenberg P.A., No. 12-1099.

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